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QCWA INTERNATIONAL RADIO NETWORKS

Sundays:

2000 UTC, 21,445 kHz

NCS

W6IL, W2AIM, KP4CH

2100 UTC, 14,345 kHz

NCS

W2SF, W6FQ, W2CVF

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8:00 PM EST 7034

9:00 PM EST 3750

NCS

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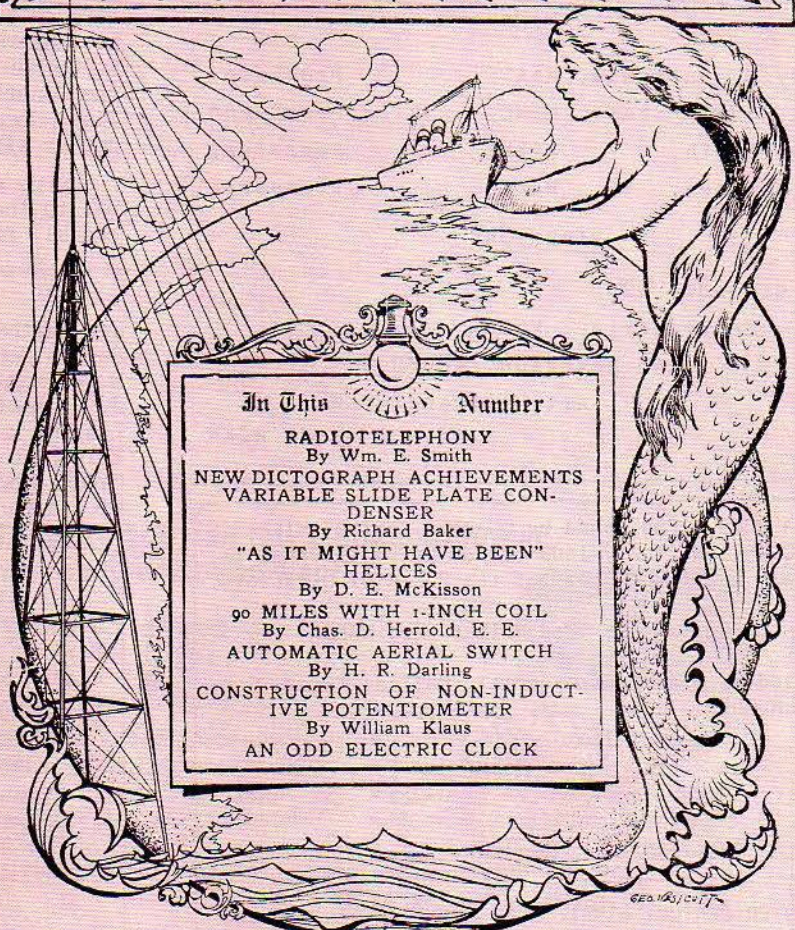
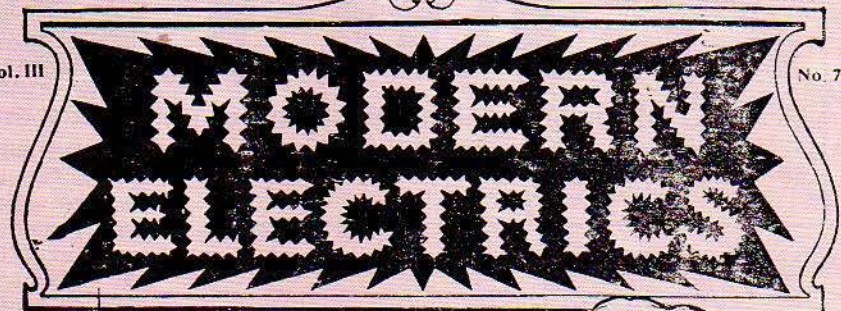


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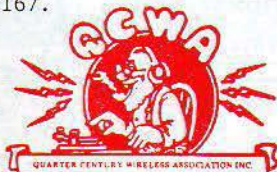
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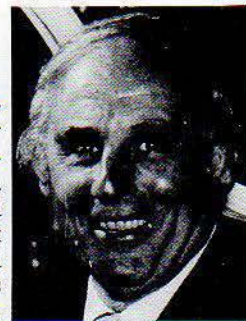
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Headquarters has advised me of the fact that QCWA has grown by nearly 400 members in 1978. This is a remarkable achievement and reflects a great amount of work by Chapters and their Officers. Likewise, the work of your National Officers and Board of Directors in establishing goals which create interest in QCWA & that add to the Prestige associated with membership. QCWA stands for fellowship and this must be maintained as a primary goal. We have, in addition, attempted to set up a "TALENT BANK." This to provide easy access to a group of qualified and experienced men and women capable of assisting authorities wherever needed. I regret to say that response has not been overwhelming to date. Within the past year a Scholarship Fund has been established and should be enlarged. You are all aware of our recent association with the FCC wherein we are providing assistance, as needed. We are continually considering additions to, and modifications of our Organization and its activities. Your help is urgently requested.

In the Spring issue of QCWA NEWS, proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws of QCWA were printed. Members were asked to consider these changes, and to send comments to the Board, through Headquarters. It was stated that comments would be accepted until June 15. I am advised that only 25 or 30 members, to date, have commented. It is regretful that so few members are interested. All comments will be reviewed at the September Board Meeting in San Diego, a final draft of the Constitution and By-Laws will be formulated. The final document will be printed in the Winter News together with a ballot for members voting.

I urge each member to participate by contributing a bit to the formation of a Constitution and By-Laws we can all find satisfying.

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Rosel H. Hyde	Washington, D.C.
Col. W. J. Baird	Alexandria, Virginia
Robert E. Lee	Washington, D.C.

the editors corner

Many comments favorable to the new QCWA NEWS format. These are appreciated, and we will attempt to bring you new and interesting material, as well as news of member activities, Chapters and so forth. Your help, and we receive a great deal of it, makes possible the work.... Witness the help from Ken Hiler, W4SQ on Grebe...and we are actively working with others for future stores with pictures which are priceless. To all who help, a sincere thank you!

On the cover this issue, you will note the reproduction of the cover from Modern Electrics, Volume 3, No 6 dated September, 1910. The original is the property of A. Earl Peterson, W2BWU. He has graciously provided us with several copies, from which you will be seeing bits and pieces for the next several issues of the NEWS.

In the Spring issue of the NEWS, a good deal of space was given to presentation of a series of proposed modifications to the Constitution and By-Laws of QCWA. The Board, rather than acting in an arbitrary fashion, felt that membership was entitled to see and comment on any proposed changes, before they were made, rather than in the old way, of after the action. Accordingly, time to read and comment was provided, with such member comment due by June 15. To date, we have received less than 30 comments, many of those received simply said, "I'm for it," or against it, as the case might be. Such comment while valid, does not assist the Board in reaching compromise, which must be done at the September Meeting... I want to actively urge you to go back, read and study the proposals, and then contribute your comments. They will truly be needed, and appreciated. In the event we have few or no comments, it will be evident the members have little or no interest in the proposed amendments..

Quite a few proposals for Board action have been sent to Headquarters. These will be presented to the Board. The September Annual Meeting will be a busy one indeed.

Chapter Number 107 has received its charter, subject to final Board approval. The Central Florida Chapter, headquartered in the Lakeland region, became a Chapter on May 15, 1978. President of the Chapter, Robert Webb, W4NY and Secretary Thomas Braxton, W4RIH, will be glad to hear from prospective members in the region.

New QCWA Membership cards have been printed and will be appearing in circulation soon. The old ones having been used up.

New Membership Application forms have been printed & will be enclosed in the next Chapter news, sent by our President. There are no changes, except to make using the form easier, and hopefully, conducive to fewer mistakes.

In an effort to reduce costs a bit, QCWA letterheads have been printed in one-color (black). The saving is not large, but a few small ones add up to a large one!

We have met serious problems in administering the new QCWA CENTURY CLUB AWARD. The problem is that members applications tendered during the early years of QCWA do not seem to be available, and there is some question as to the time at which membership numbers were assigned.. Every effort is being made to obtain all old records in which dates for membership can be verified. Please don't shoot until we get that done, Hi.

Printing & paper costs are sky-rocketing. We will be attempting to hold the news to fewer pages, Chapter and member news featured in Summer & Fall issues, features and other material in Winter and Spring issues.

1978 QCWA QSO PARTY results are printed herein. First let us thank the Northern New Jersey Chapter for their work, making it possible to carry on the traditional & pleasant activity. Unless one has been involved in the scoring and tabulation of the event, it is difficult to know the amount of work involved (and the pay is low)..

To Nat Schnoll, George Apfel and the others who worked to get everything in order a resounding thanks!

COMMENTS: W3TPW-trouble with 10-X contest, but it was fun; K2CP went on for a few contacts, CW was rusty but Mohawk Chapter was on the air, K6QM says Hi from San Diego, enjoyed it; VE3JT-nice to meet so many of our old friends year after year; W2RPZ tried for DL7AR but no luck, will try in 1979; W3QYL reports some QRM tough but will be back in '79; W7LQ enjoyed party and he can remember checking logs long ago; W6BYH in party while monitoring for AREC activities; W5UCY enjoyed meeting old friends, and those living at some of his locations in the past; N4FA says hi, and will do better nexttime; W4WKQ (THE WINNAH) spent 23½ hours and likes the chapter exchange; KL7AVX provided contacts for many & enjoyed it; W7VH got on for Nevada for a bit and enjoyed talking to the gang; K9CLO comments on members courteous & expert operation; W8WKI enjoyed the work and figures to be last man; W5CJZ says thanks, had fun; W4JUJ made a bunch of contacts, and enjoyed visiting with old pals; W8MAW says "Murphy struck again, power supply went out just before contest." DL7AR says give the DX stations a better multiplier so members in US will try harder to contact them; N5EN turns in good score & had fun; W4YE used 70 watts, for good score and good fun; W9FDY says include name and QCWA number; W6FZ says likes states to be multipliers instead of chapters; W8EH had good fun in Party; WLPWK ran 5 watts, a dipole and bug; Fm KV4AB need DX multipliers, simplify log-keeping; W4NH turned in a good score; W0QI says CW does the job, it was fun and left a few to try for next year; W9RC says, A good job, enjoyed it. be back next year.

THE QCWA CENTURY CLUB has been well accepted with about 36 members at present having submitted application for the Award and Certificate and presenting qualifying information. The RULES FOR MEMBERSHIP appear on page 6 of Vol. 27, #1, of the QCWA NEWS.

THE DEFOREST PIONEERS, Inc. have announced a new policy of encouraging growth by acceptance of new members. We in QCWA, as well as similar organizations, can now be members of the "Pioneers" subject to certain classification. Write the Secretary, if interested, at:

Kenneth Richardson, Scty
DeForest Pioneers, Inc.
254 Vincent Avenue
Lynbrook, NY 11563

Barney Moffat, W5CJZ reports formation of a new amateur organization:

The International Association of Airline Hams

On April 29, 1978, the Charter Board met and officially organized the Association. Secretary is Carl Crumley, N4VD. If you are interested, write him for information at: 512 North Harrison Ave., Cary, NC 27511.

Yesterday is experience, tomorrow is hope, today is scrambling between the two in the best possible manner.

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1978 qso party results

Rank	Call	No. Chptrs Contacted	Total Contacts	Score	Rank	Call	No. Chptrs Contacted	Total Contacts	Score
1	W4WKQ	76	304	23104	61	W3BUR	52	100	5200
2	W9CLO	72	293	21090	62	W0DBC	49	105	5145
3	W6UA	75	249	18450	63	W2PQZ	47	109	5123
4	W9IB	75	245	18375	64	W9RF	50	100	5000
5	W4SU/9	72	245	17640	65	W9WM	45	108	4860
6	W6FQ	71	239	16969	66	W9ZEN	45	105	4725
7	W5JC	71	220	15620	66	W2HL	45	105	4725
8	W4BK	72	215	15480	67	W7YEQ	47	100	4700
9	W5AK	68	219	14892	68	W2CCJ	44	106	4664
10	W5OB	71	200	14200	68	W9RC	44	106	4664
11	W8EH	57	241	13737	69	W3GPR	47	98	4606
12	WB8NJF	62	205	12710	70	W6UH	45	102	4590
13	K2DW	66	191	12606	71	K6SS	45	100	4500
14	W0DHN	64	188	12032	72	W0QI	45	99	4455
15	K7BZ	62	191	11842	73	W8GP	44	102	4488
16	KV4AB	63	189	11807	74	W4YE	44	100	4400
17	W4NH	65	180	11700	75	W0AP	46	95	4370
18	W8KW/4	62	177	10974	75	W3NM	46	95	4370
19	W1GKJ	63	172	10836	76	W8CCN	43	99	4257
20	W9JK	61	177	10797	77	W6QIL	45	93	4185
21	W3ABC	63	170	10710	78	W7BMK	44	93	4092
22	W0TGL	60	172	10320	79	W4HVU	46	88	4048
23	W7JSZ	59	171	10089	80	W0HPG	41	98	4018
24	W9IC	63	160	10080	81	W2EEQ	45	86	3870
25	K4LMB	60	164	9840	82	W2GR	44	87	3828
26	N5EN	62	154	9548	83	W1CT	42	91	3822
27	W8MJG	60	154	9240	83	W3QA	42	91	3822
28	K2GH	58	153	8874	84	K4NR	39	95	3705
29	W0CY	57	151	8607	85	W7AGV	41	86	3520
30	W8BN	58	148	8584	86	W9FDY	45	77	3465
31	W0CAS	55	155	8525	87	W5QF	39	83	3237
32	W8MD	59	142	8378	88	W0EN	43	73	3139
33	N4ZH	57	144	8208	89	W5SM	39	80	3112
34	VE3BR	58	140	8120	90	K6QM	37	83	3017
35	VO1AW	52	153	7956	91	W4JCJ	39	76	2964
36	W2CVF	56	139	7784	92	W4PEI	36	81	2916
37	W5NC	60	129	7740	93	W1TEE	40	72	2880
38	K4EZ	53	142	7526	94	W9CIB	41	70	2870
39	W0AR	57	130	7410	95	W7RIR	45	63	2835
40	W2RPZ	54	137	7398	96	W0VWJ	36	75	2700
41	W5CJZ	59	121	7139	97	W7LQ	34	78	2652
42	K4RT	52	134	6968	98	W9LNQ	36	73	2628
43	VE3JT	56	122	6832	98	W3EE	36	73	2628
44	K4IYS	57	120	6720	99	W9GDI	37	70	2590
45	W6IO	49	127	6223	100	W3JXQ	39	66	2574
46	K2AW	51	121	6171	101	K7AA	38	66	2508
47	W8JM	50	122	6100	102	W6BYH	36	69	2484
48	W6PHE	50	121	6050	103	W8TPC	40	61	2440
49	W6IL	44	133	5852	104	W0HWF	37	63	2331
50	W2GHK/4	52	112	5824	105	W9WR	31	75	2325
51	W5BED	49	118	5782	106	W5RO	40	58	2320
52	K0WK	49	115	5635	106	W5UCY	40	58	2320
53	W1WY	43	130	5590	107	W4JWO	33	70	2310
54	K4TM	50	110	5550	108	KL7AVX	34	66	2244
55	W7AHK	47	117	5499	109	W0JUI	35	64	2240
56	W2HI	51	107	5457	110	W2FE	37	59	2183
57	W7FTX	50	109	5450	111	W5NW	38	56	2126
58	VE3BBM	51	106	5406	112	W2DX	32	66	2112
59	W1HV	47	115	5405	113	W0OEP	35	60	2100
60	W3ADE	46	116	5336	114	W3UHV	33	61	2013

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qso party score continued

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115	W7NIZ	33	60	1980	169	K8VZ	18	22	396
116	W6TFR	33	58	1914	170	W1DMH	15	26	390
117	W0CFU	34	56	1904	170	WB4VMP	15	26	390
118	W5IBO	36	52	1872	171	W2FAR	14	26	364
119	W9FTD	30	62	1860	172	W3KPI	16	22	352
120	W5YB	35	53	1855	173	W9CA	15	23	345
121	W9ACU	33	56	1848	174	W4ZRZ	16	20	320
122	W2JGR	33	53	1749	175	W1DO	14	22	308
123	W7TU	29	60	1740	176	W8OM	14	21	294
124	W8AQ	31	55	1705	177	W9MOL	14	19	266
125	W3HWZ	34	50	1700	178	W1PWK	13	20	260
126	W2KGI/4	28	56	1568	179	W4PI	14	18	252
127	W7KVX	28	53	1484	179	W0GLC	14	18	252
128	VE3DH	29	51	1479	180	K6MO	13	18	234
129	W8HU	30	49	1470	181	W2NPT	10	21	210
130	W3VRG	31	46	1426	182	W4BCZ	13	16	208
131	K3AA	27	51	1377	183	DL7AR	12	17	204
132	W6KZJ	29	44	1276	184	W5GPD	10	20	200
133	W5RC	28	45	1260	185	W8KWI	13	15	195
134	K4HI	29	43	1247	185	W6HPE	13	15	195
135	W6IFC	31	40	1240	186	K3RI	12	15	180
136	W8IHF	26	47	1222	186	W0JTC	12	15	180
136	W0HA/5	26	47	1222	187	N5BT	10	17	170
137	W8DIV	23	52	1196	188	W6AW	11	15	165
138	W7CJ	27	44	1188	189	K4WZ	10	16	160
139	W3HKS	25	47	1175	190	W9BRX	10	14	140
139	W4WS	25	47	1175	191	K4VN	9	14	126
140	W3TPW	29	40	1160	192	N4FA	6	18	108
141	W2DW	28	40	1120	192	W7FL	9	12	108
142	W0MW	24	45	1080	193	W3UIU	8	12	96
142	K4WJ	24	45	1080	193	W0QAY	8	12	96
143	W4HIH	24	44	1056	194	W1PTB	9	10	90
144	W4JUU	26	39	1014	194	K8CD	9	10	90
145	W4JM	22	46	1012	195	W7EM	7	11	77
146	W9MCR	27	37	999	196	W2HVD	6	12	72
147	W5JHS	24	39	936	197	W8IHR	7	9	63
148	W5SQR	28	33	924	198	W7ACP	5	11	55
149	WA4EHD	22	41	902	199	W2FRX	6	9	54
150	W7IY	22	40	880	200	N4LS	6	7	42
151	W5SQS	24	35	840	201	W7OS	3	13	39
152	W4ZCT	22	36	792	202	VE3PJ	5	6	30
153	W8MAW	22	33	726	203	W3QYL	4	7	28
154	W0GW	24	30	720	203	W6ATC	4	7	28
155	W2ZOJ	21	34	714	204	W6EKK	2	10	20
156	W3AKG	22	31	682	205	DL1YA/VE7	3	1	3
157	W7OIO	20	34	680					
158	W7VH	21	29	667					
159	K4FTP	19	34	646					
160	W4GJ	22	29	638					
161	W6FZ	18	35	630					
162	W2PF	21	28	588					
163	W4ZC	19	30	570					
164	N4BY	19	26	494					
164	W5OP	19	26	494					
164	W9GF	19	26	494					
165	W3DQ	18	25	450					
166	K2FJ	18	24	432					
167	W0FQB	18	23	414					
168	W9TNZ	16	25	400					
168	W8MH	16	25	400					

The 1978 ANNUAL QCWA QSO PARTY was won by John Zwaska, W4WKQ, of the FLORALA CHAPTER. Our congratulations go to John for a fine score, lots of contacts and work....

As quickly as a Plaque can be prepared, it will be sent to Al Corey, W4OCG, and we expect that Ken Huntley and he will arrange a suitable ceremony for presentation... Congratulations John, from all of us!

The NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER, Sponsors of the 1978 QSO Party, were active on the air with W2MM, the memorial call sign assigned to QCWA. While their score does not count, for the record, they scored as follows:

W2MM	55	109	5995
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A good score by a great gang, thanks fellows!

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NOTICE: We are planning on another extravaganza of the old times...We would like to prepare a story similar to the GREBE STORY, in Volume 27, No. 1, but dealing with Atwater-Kent, or Colin B. Kennedy, or other equally and interesting early day manufacturer of radio equipment...

If you have pictures, and story information, & would like to participate in preparation of a story for publication in a forthcoming issue of QCWA NEWS, WRITE TO W5EJ...if you know of someone who has material, unique on any subject which would interest old-timers, & that would be worthwhile to publish, let us know. -W5EJ-

Ralph Anderson (Andy) wrote to let us know he likes the new QCWA NEWS, and to remark that he has a bunch of call-books, covering the past several years. If you've need for them, contact Andy, pay the postage, and he'll be glad to send them to you. Andy mentioned that he's not quite eligible for the CENTURY CLUB, but close. He was not sure of his date for joining QCWA...Our records show it to be March 26, 1955, Andy.

Al Woody, W7WQ, sent a card to express his interest in the Trade-mark game, and to say that he had worked for TELMACO in 1924, engraving panels and nameplates. In 1925 Al started his own shop at 19 South Wells, & stayed with it for 41 years.

Idealism increases in direct proportion to one's distance from the problem -John Galsworthy

Mel Dunbrack, W1BHD, dropped us a line and a beautiful picture. Mel sent us a copy of the letter-head w/logo of AMRAD (American Radio and Research Corporation) from long ago...the company was active 1915 to 1929, located at Medford Hillside, Massachusetts. It will be placed in our file for further use.

The former employees and associates of AMRAD met for a reunion on August 26, 1967.

Mel sent the following picture to us...two wonderful & well loved pioneers. At left is Eunice, W1MPP, and at right, Ken, K4RO...familiarily known as the Century Kids I met MPP in Orlando several years ago and was impressed by her wonderful philosophy and good nature. Since that time I ran across a story about a brash young girl written by Irv Vermilya in QST many years ago... I have wondered if W1MPP might just be that young lady. Can anyone help me out on that? -W5EJ-



Eunice, W1MPP, Ken, K4RO...Looks like the lady sherrif of Jackson has nailed her man! Picture especially made to get the pix of Mt. Washington, NH (in distance) between them. (Their favorite mountain. -- W1BHD --

FROM AMSAT AREA COORDINATOR, Bud Schultz, W6CG, (1296) a wonderful letter, let me quote, "Congrats to all for the Spring QCWA NEWS..it's the greatest advance in radio since Deforest put the grid in operation... The Grebe piece was tops. Let's have more like that. Nostalgia is what keeps we old 'Goats' breathing & storys like that help feed our need.

Am keeping busy as a satellite command station for Oscar 8 and I can't help thinking it's a long throw-back to my UV-202 back in 1924! If anyone had even hinted such things back then we would have reserved for him a rubber room! Tell some of the OT's to give OSCAR a try...It's simple, easy, cheap & a barrel of fun."

Bud got a bit lyrical, but it's appreciated, and make us try harder.



Above, Bud sits at a corner of the OSCAR control point

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC. INCOME AND EXPENSES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1977			
	Budget Year 1977	Actual Year 1977	(Over) Under Budget
INCOME			
Entry Fee - New Members @ \$3.00 (Budget - 900 New Members) (Actual - 710 New Members)	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,130.00	\$ 570.00
Dues Earned	23,500.00	23,251.98	248.02
Sales of QCWA -			
Pins and Emblems	3,250.00	2,484.50	765.50
Cuts, Decals, Stamps, Etc.	550.00	552.10	(2.10)
Advertising	500.00	241.50	258.50
Foundation Trust Fund	500.00	100.00	400.00
Donations (Including Life-Time Make-Up Payments)	150.00	524.20	(374.20)
Interest Earned	5,350.00	5,523.77	(173.77)
Postage	---	129.41	(129.41)
Miscellaneous Items	---	744.64	(744.64)
Total Income	36,500.00	35,682.10	817.90
EXPENSES			
Management Fee	10,000.00	10,000.00	---
Telephone	300.00	374.70	(74.70)
Office Supplies -			
Headquarters	1,000.00	146.66	853.34
Secretary	50.00	---	50.00
Treasurer	100.00	78.40	21.60
Stationery and Printing	2,050.00	1,030.43	1,019.57
Card Punch/Computer Records	1,540.00	1,050.48	489.52
Outside Services	300.00	---	300.00
Public Relations and Advertising	1,250.00	258.98	991.02
General Postage	2,300.00	2,059.21	240.79
Printing and Postage for QCWA News -			
Printing (3 Issues in 1977)	5,700.00	5,304.82	395.18
Postage	2,200.00	2,308.71	(108.71)
Printing and Postage for 1976 Year Book -			
Printing (1/2 to 1976 - 1/2 to 1977)	3,584.00	3,584.00	---
Postage	---	---	---
Election Expenses -			
Printing	775.00	762.19	12.81
Postage	1,215.00	1,257.90	(42.90)
Meeting Expenses - Board of Directors	250.00	---	250.00
Annual Meeting Expenses	250.00	---	250.00
Purchase by QCWA -			
Pins and Emblems	2,200.00	1,654.49	545.51
Cuts, Decals, Stamps, Etc.	750.00	483.03	266.97
Foundation Trust Fund	500.00	500.00	---
Miscellaneous Items	200.00	111.83	88.17
Total Expenses	36,514.00	30,965.83	5,548.17
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	\$ (14.00)	\$ 4,716.27	(\$ 4,730.27)

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DAYTON/CINCINNATI CHAPTER



In the picture above, are shown as a group, members who were in attendance at the February 16, 1978 meeting at the Imperial House South, Dayton, Ohio. 54 members and guests were in attendance. A slide presentation about WARC was made, and well received. Photograph supplied by Joe Housmann, W8HU, Secretary, Dayton/Cincinnati Chpt

QCWA SCHOLARSHIP MATTERS

We're certain that all QCWA members are aware of the recent action of the IRS which granted the official not-for-profit status to QCWA, and which permits our Organization to solicit gifts & funds to be used for purposes approved by our Constitution & By-Laws. The IRS Certification of QCWA under Sec. 501-C3, entitles gifts or memorials or contributions to be used as tax deductible items in so far as Federal Taxes are concerned, for the donor. With this in mind, we'd like to suggest that where possible, you consider gifts to QCWA either cash or estates, which can be ear-marked for a specific use, such as scholarships, thus helping to build the Scholarship fund to a point where it can eventually sustain itself, and at the same time, allow you to take advantage of the tax deduction.

We have received information that the Foundation For Amateur Radio has been receiving many applications from students interested in scholarships offered. The need is apparent...the FAR is willing and qualified for the job...if can make a contribution, now is the time.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER Officers elected for 1978 are:

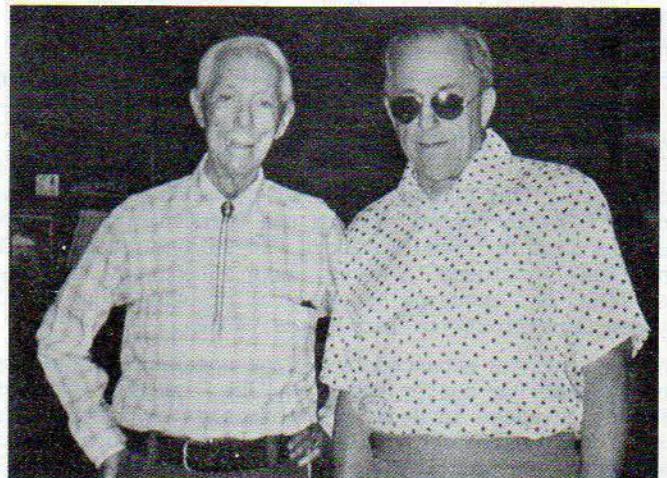
Wil Miller, K6DZU, President
Russ Estep, W6AUC, Scty/Treasurer

The Chapter's annual picnic is set for August 27, 1978, at Marin French Cheese Co. New Chapter member, K6YKG, is welcomed. The Chapter has been saddened by the terrible misfortunes experienced by Bill Eitel recently... 50 Year Golden Certificates have been issued to WB6DWX, K6GJ and W6BFU; QCWA Century Club Certificates to W6LL & W6ELW! At the February Luncheon, 58 were in attendance and enjoyed a program by Mr. Tom Lott, on spectrum use.

THE RETIRED HAMS OF LYNCHBURG

is a sort of unofficial group of Old-Timers who meet regularly. 6 QCWA members attended their May 6 meeting, of a total of 15. Bill Uzzell, W2BNX was present too. Incidentally, George Rulffs, Jr., W2CJY, who keeps things together for them mentioned that he thought the pix on Page 24, of the spring issue of the news incorrectly identified his old friend Al O'Hara, W2OG! If any OT's are in Lynchburg, VA, call George, 384 6248 to see if a meeting is on.

Alan Biggs, K4AA, sent a press release to the effect -- Lenny Fox, XE1110 & J. Alan Biggs, K4AA, on the occasion of Lenny's 95th birthday, February 22, 1978, met in Cuernavaca, Mexico. The two pals, sitting together are representing a total of 105 years in Amateur Radio.



Lenny, XE1110

Alan, K4AA

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ON THE OSCAR SOLAR CELLS

Several Chapters and individuals made contributions for Solar Cells for the OSCAR SATELLITE project. The money received was sent on the OSCAR HEADQUARTERS, with a request that the donors receive a Certificate to be sent to them directly. Confusion arose, and in some cases the certificate came to QCWA and was returned with the request that the Certificate be made out properly. If any QCWA member or Chapter, who have not had their gift to OSCAR properly acknowledged, will send a note to us here at QCWA Headquarters, we will follow up on it and will get the matter straightened out. -W5EJ

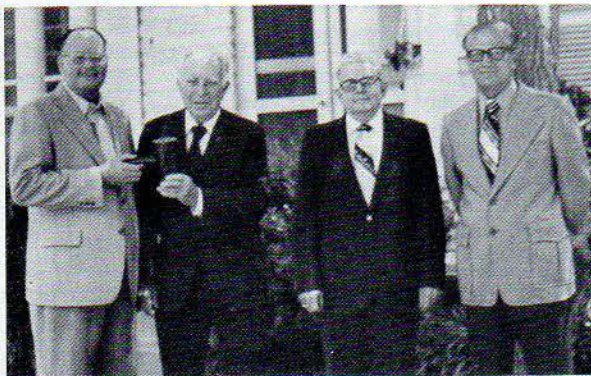
ARIZONA CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter's annual spring pot-luck meeting, at North Mountain Park, in Phoenix, April 9, was attended by 20 members and friends. The Chapter newsletter contained a copy of the President's message, and a great deal of added information. On-the-air with the Arizona Chapter occurs every Sunday at 0800, 3892 kHz, and everyone is invited to take part. -K7NTG

AUSTIN CHAPTER QCWA

Pete Peterson, W5OY, Scty/Trea. of the Chapter sent us a list of the Officers elected for the 1978-79 period. They are:

Dave Harrell, W5CVQ, President
W. E. Campbell, W5GPQ, Vice President
W. E. Peterson, W5OY, Scty-Treas.



Above, L-R are: Gene Mallard, W5OMP, Past President as he passes the Gavel to Dave Harrell, W5CVQ; V. P. Bill Campbell, W5GPQ and Earl (Pete) Peterson, W5OY, Scty - Treasurer.

Chapter meetings are held quarterly and all are welcome

BALTIMORE MARYLAND CHAPTER QCWA

The 1978 Annual Meeting of the 'Old Timers' held May 6, was a huge success, inasmuch as the crowd reached the bursting point. QCWA members from D.C. and Northern Virginia attended. The Inn finally refused to accept late attendees. The food was fine, and everyone enjoyed the presentation of his Golden Certificate to Tony Zemun, W3APA.

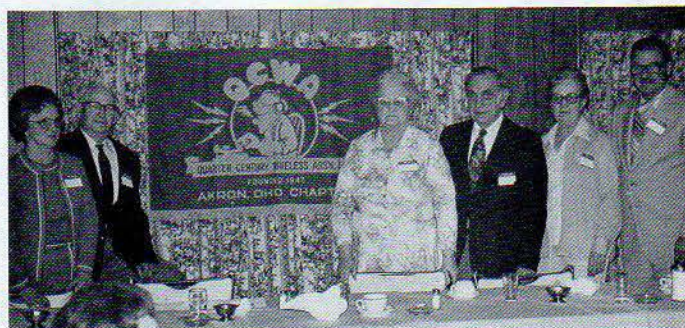
The evening was enhanced by a fine speaker, Dr. Joseph Ahnell, WA3VIO, better known as 'Joe,' whose subject, 'Recent Advances in Medical Electronics & Instrumentation,' was geared to both the technical and non-technical ladies and gentlemen present. It was a wonderful evening.

-Clay, W3OAK-

AKRON OHIO CHAPTER QCWA

Michael Underwood, Scty/Treas. of the Chapter has written that a new slate of Officers have been elected for 1978. They were inaugurated into office at the March 27 annual meeting and are:

Ken Israel, W8BHV, President
Perry A. Towne, WB8IZJ, Vice President
Michael Underwood, W8AFP, Scty/Treas.



Above, L-R are: Mrs. Towne and Perry; Mrs. Israel and Les; and Mrs. Underwood and Michael.

The annual meeting was attended by 28 members and their guests. A program of slide pictures and comment on the Holy Land was presented by Ralph McIntyre, W8WOM.

CITRUS CHAPTER QCWA

The QCWA Luncheon hosted by Citrus Chapter, at the Orlando Hamcation, February 18, was one of the finest gathering of QCWA members in many years. 114 members, guests and friends present. Much credit must go to Nat Atwood, W4YSO, for his work. Director Art Miligan, W8KW and Art Monsees, W4BK, Treasurer for the National QCWA Organization were on hand and participated in the program.

On the March 18 meeting, new officers for 1978-79 were elected:

Chalmers S. Stromberg, W4WLX, Chairman
Keith Street, G3DKS/4, Vice Chairman
Robert Ragsdale, W4AJX, Scty/Treas.
C. H. Summers, W4AR, Correspdg Scty

One of the Chapter's accomplishments has been formation of the QCWA CW Net (Florida)...NCS started with W4UKA and W4PI....a social net of OT brass pounders with NCS duties rotating among five Chapters.

It is with some sadness that we read of Bill Waldo leaving the office of Scty/Treasurer. Much has been accomplished by Citrus during his term in Office. -W5EJ

WHERE DID THE QCWA LOGO COME FROM?

It is certain that many of our newer QCWA members do not know of the origin of the 'old man smoking the pipe.' It is equally likely that a goodly number of the older members are in the dark too. Here's the story:

Shortly after the beginning of QCWA, the logo problem came up, it was decided that a suitable symbol should be provided. After some thought, the Charter members approached the best cartoonist known, in amateur circles, Otto Eppers, W2EA with a request that he submit designs for consideration of the members. This was done, and the present trademark/logo was chosen. Otto passed away in 1955. He had designed many personal QSL cards and was a dear friend to many in Amateur Radio... -W2CDS-

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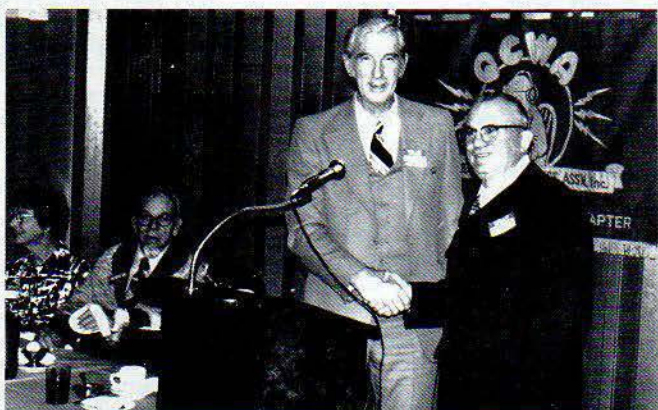
CENTRAL CALIFORNIA COAST CHAPTER QCWA

A joint meeting with the Central Valley Chapter was held February 25 at Morro Bay. 72 members and guests attended. Following the dinner, the Central Coast Chapter elected Officers as follows:

Bob Tauxe, W6JTA, Chairman
Des Stovall, W6ECY, Vice Chairman
Charles Weir, W6UA, Scty-Treasurer
Harriet Amborn, N6HA, Historian

Chairman Tauxe presented 50-year Certificates to Mort Brewer, W6JU, and Harriet Amborn, N6HA. John Griggs, W6KW, received his 56 year sticker and John Bickel, W6NY his 62nd year recognition.

Jules Wenglare, W6YO, presented an illustrated talk on amateur highlights of his round-the-world trip.



L-R are: Roxie & John Griggs (background) and at the podium, Bob Tauxe, W6JTA with Mort Brewer, W6JU.

-W6UA-

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

Ralph Rea, W5AA, Chairman of the Chapter wrote to indicate that they approved of the new NEWSLETTER size and format. The Chapter's quarterly was held on April 23, with about 45 members & guests present. Elmo Black, W5JCB, presented a program enjoyed by all...on "Time and Frequency Measurements." Elmo is an expert in this field...the program, illustrated with slides, was instructive & interesting.

The Chapter recognized the faithful members who did not miss any on-the-air meetings - W5EHR, W5KE, W5NTL, and W5HXL and W5HZD...the Chapter meetings are on 3850 kHz each Sunday morning.

-W5AA-

WITH RESPECT TO AWARDS

As we work here at Headquarters, we are often made aware of the problems arising from inadequate records. In the early days of QCWA we find that some records have been lost, and occasionally conflicting dates, numbers, and so forth cause some pretty sticky problems. Accordingly, we have taken a firm stand that awards cannot be issued without having a signed application form on hand in the Office. These forms are kept, bound and become QCWA Property and are expected to provide factual historical data which may someday be helpful to historians researching amateur activities.

THEREFORE, WE REQUEST THAT EACH TIME YOU REQUEST QCWA CERTIFICATES, AND SO FORTH, THAT YOU OBTAIN A FORM TO BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE, FOR THE PURPOSE, THAT YOU FILL IT OUT PROPERLY AND SIGN IT. YOUR COOPERATION IS SINCERELY REQUESTED, AND WE THANK YOU FOR IT.

-W5EJ

COLORADO CHAPTER QCWA

Received a note from Ann, W0ERR, indicating that she was moving to Arkansas....Colorado won't be the same without her! In addition, Ann gave us "what for" for not printing the picture below..which was handed to your editor, while in Denver last winter.

It wasn't left out intentionally...just in the press of work, it was forgotten...apologies accepted?



Above, L-R, are: Jim Haynes, W0OVL; Ann Belmonte, W0ERR, and, Rudy Belmonte, WA0WOG. Ann & Rudy are, of course, a husband and wife team of QCWA members.

EL PASO CHAPTER QCWA

Milly Wise, Secretary of the El-Paso Area Chapter wrote a short note. Otto Richardson, W5IGU, has been elected President of the Chapter. Members there are working all out on the West-Gulf A R R L Convention to be held early in September. Milly is the Chairman, and knowing her, it will be a good one. Our old friend, Noel Olmstead, W5URT, immediate past President of the Chapter is doing very well!

EVERGLADES CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter held a meeting on May 6, 1978 at the Sweden House, Boca Raton. 45 members and guests were on hand.

Dave Talley, W2PF spoke on the proposed Constitution & By-Laws changes for QCWA. It was noted that 4 charter members of QCWA were attending the meeting - K4OL, K4KR W2AS and W2PF. The meeting program was presented as a talk on crystals, by Mr. Tom Kiewitt, of Savoy Electronics, Inc.

- W4RM -

NORTHERN LIGHTS CHAPTER QCWA

Leroy Davie, KL7CUK, has informed us that the Chapter will sponsor a booth in cooperation with the Alaska DX Association, during the Alaska ARRL Convention, August 26 and 27, 1978. This is a fine activity, and will require a good bit of work on the part of all QCWA members in the area. Take a few pictures of the vent for the News, Leroy!

GERMAN CHAPTER, QCWA

The German Chapter continues it's growth with the work of Hans Schleifenbaum and other in the Chapter. The Chapter requested a copy of the QCWA Constitution and By-laws, and we simply do not have any new ones printed yet, pending proposed modifications...

Hans sent a fine story on early-day amateur radio that is included herein, we urge you to read it! Please let us have a pix or two from Germany, and more stories!

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EASTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter third annual Dinner Meeting will be held Saturday, October 21, 1978 at Veeder's Restaurant on Rte 5, at 6 PM. It will be a open meeting, all are invited. Reservations can be had from W2GM or W2BSH.

The Chapter President has appointed Nominating committee consisting of William Lowenberg, Jr., W2OOJ, Howard Maguire, W2AAO, and chaired by Daniel Murray, W2PKY. Officers will be elected at the Annual Meeting.

President Barnes and xYL Frances will take a two-month visit in Scotland. The Chapter's newest member, John C Nelson, W2FW, conducts the montly flea-market for hams at the Schnectady Amateur Radio Association. -W2BSH-

EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER QCWA

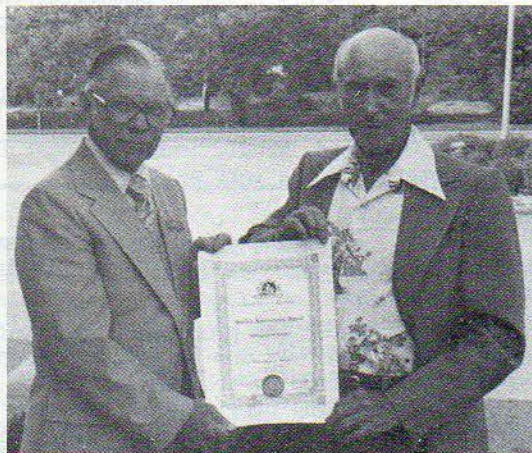
The Spring meeting, May 6, 1978, was held at the Royal Scotsman Inn at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. During the afternoon a group tour was made of the American Museum of Atomic Energy. It was a wonderful visit.

At the meeting, new officers were elected for 1978-1979 as follows:

Phil Ewald, W4EWR, President
Roaul Wright, K4EAJ, Vice President
Robert Embry, W4HHQ, Scety/Treas.

Robert Dilworth, W4LQE spoke on energy alternatives....

Chapter meetings are held in the spring and the fall... On-the-air meetins at 5PM on Sunday, 3875 kHz!



In the picture above, L-R are: Forrest Pilgrim, W4JD, presenting the Golden Certificate to Herrick Brown, W4ZZ.

GATOR CHAPTER QCWA

Dick Jasper, W4VAF, Secretary sends a bit of information on activies...Incidentally, Gator on-the-air occurs Saturdays, 0930 on 3920..join in when you can. Chapter activities have included cooperation with the Florida Council in recommendation of of several propositions for National Board Action at the Sept. meeting. Included in our notes is the QCWA Picnic, but the time and place were vague...so we can't plug it, & it will likely be over before this news is received by members at any rate! Lunches are called for the first Saturday of each month throughout the summer at Chief-Charlies Place...informal, but wear shirts and shoes... Word has come down that Frank Shannon, K4GT has received a clean bill-of-health...and that's really good news for all of us.

FINGER LAKES CHAPTER QCWA

Finger Lakes has been doing a real job of recruiting members, and making the work of QCWA meaningful in the Finger-Lakes area. The March issue of the Chapter Bulletin, 4 pages, could serve as a model of "How to do it." Full of information & ideas and invitations for all to participate. Producing such a newsletter is not easy, but just has to be worthwhile and inspiring to all who receive it. A nominating Committee consisting of W2BJI, W2PPS & W2AXW went to work and provided a slate of candidates for Office. Meeting arrangements were made by K2CV and W2PXA...and the fine Spring meeting program was provided by W2SBI.

In one of his last actions before retiring from the job of Chapter Secretary, Frederick Adsit, W2ZOJ, sent the Office a story on the passing of H. J. Mabes, W2XX. It was a sad note, because Harold Mabes had been an active member of the Chapter, and had worked actively for amateur radio for many years. He will be missed by those in the Central New York area.

At the Spring meeting, held May 7, 1978, at Valle's, in Syracuse, 34 members and their wives were in attendance. The meeting saw election of Officers as follows:

Ray Schmitt, W2ABV, President
Charlie Floring, W2AK, Scety-Treas.
George Milan, W2WNN & Barbara,
as the Sunshine Committee.

The program featuring Dick Eaton, W2SBI, discussing the OSCAR program was interesting and enjoyed by all.

Plans are underway to revitalize the Chapter...Members of QCWA in the Central New York area are urged to get in touch with W2ABV or W2AK and to become an active one in the Chapter. Eligible amateurs are urged to become members of QCWA, and help in the work - W2AK-

FOURTH CORNER CHAPTER QCWA

Bill Madison, W7YEQ, wrote a short note enclosing the map showing the Chapter's location. Not much news this time from Bellingham, but we're expecting a story with pix for the fall issue of the Newsletter.

HOUSTON CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter announced the name of two new members, Lem Decker, W5FTP and Travis Chapman, WA5SEW. Members and friends are invited to check in to the Thursday evening 3876 on-the-air meeting. Some of the Chapter members can be heard every morning on 3835 kHz shooting the breeze. If you're going to be in town contact Scotty, W5GPD, to find out a meeting time. - W5JFD -

FLORALA CHAPTER QCWA

The Florala Chapter conducted its March meeting at the Playground Amateur Radio Club annual Swapfest. On Saturday, March 11, a luncheon meeting was held at the Sheaton-Miramar Motor Inn, in Fort Walton Beach. 28 members and friends were present for the meeting. On Sunday, March 12, the regular meeting featured election of Officers. Those elected were:

Kenneth Huntley, W4CXP, President
George Turner, K4AP, Vice President
Al Corey, W4OCG, Scety/Treasurer
Clarence Quinlan, Jr., W4LRC, Chaplain
John Zwaska, W4WKQ, Liason & NCS
Barbara Corey, W4HYV, Historian

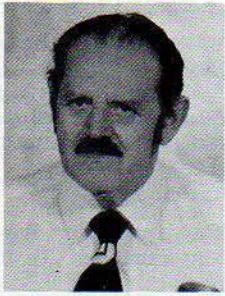
-W4OCG

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FROM THE GERMAN CHAPTER

A STORY OF DLIES



In response to our request, Hans Schleifenbaum, Chairman for the German Chapter, sends us a story for publication. The story told by Paul Maisel, DL 1 ES, depicts the problems faced by a young & resolute young man, determined to be an amateur. Paul is shown in the picture at the left...If there are parts difficult to understand - blame us...Paul writes a great deal better english for us

than we could write German for him...Thank you Paul!

I was born August 1, 1905. In the spring of 1926, I built my first O-v-1 in a meissner cct, and in spring of 1926, an O-v-2 in Schnell cct. At this time I got a job as wireless operator at the police wireless station at Nuremberg. There I had a 52 meter LW ant and could observe amateurs in the 30 and 40 meter band.... Soon I heard all 6 continents. From a Belgian station I heard the description of his transmitter and I built this also. I asked the Government for an amateur license, but had no luck! So I started with illegal work and my first call was EK4VZ. My new receiver an O-v-2 with the 2XRE 144 and RE 134 tubes, my TX a Hartley with 2xRE 504, about 8 - 12 watts output and an indoor antenna 2 x 9, 50 mtrs. After the World Wireless Conference in Cairo changed prefixes, our old - EK4 - was changed to D4...My call was now D4VZ, and after August 8, 1930, we got three-letter calls, my call changed to D4CZV...but always, my work was illegal. Yes, and on November 20, 1932 there came the heavy blow! All my things, TX and RX were confiscated! I became a prisoner, but not for long! After a month I could return to my job. After this I again asked for a license. I had to wait until May 1, 1933. I got the call D4UAX, but the pleasure had no long duration! The political situation changed and all German stations lost their licenses on July 18, 1933. We had to wait, but then I got a new call - D4BDR -. Again I lost my call at May 3, 1937. After the WW-II, I worked as SWL and again illegal work as - DA4VZ -. At the end of 1948, I had to take an examination, and on March 25, 1949, I got the call - DLIES -. Since this time I work the call & have many pleasures!

I am a member of DARC, QCWA, TOPS, DIG, AGCW, ACW and hold about 260 awards. Am QRV on all bands from 80 to 10 mtrs and on 144 and 435 MHz. My most work is on CW. If you hear me, give me a call...it is always good to work another QCWA'er.

- DL 1 ES -

GATEWAY CHAPTER QCWA

Bob Cutting, VP of the Chapter as well as Perry Wilson, President and others have sent us a copy of the Chapter Roster, and historical data. We were pleased to receive the material, and it brought to mind the need to emphasize that Chapters draw up information about the beginning of their organization, and that it be done as soon as possible, while the men and women who were involved are available to put down fact. We here at Headquarters are constantly aware that names dates and so forth get forgotten, and that sometimes we wait too long to set them down in permanent fashion. Our congrats to Gateway...a good job!

NORTHWEST CHAPTER

Tex Sloat wrote of the excellent turn out at the Centralia, WA., dinner meeting on Apr. 22. We understand that Doc Spike, W7OS made presentation of the Golden certificate to W7ALM. Hal Johnston, W7PN, Scty of the Chapter wrote a nice letter. Favors the present 9-Director Board for QCWA...and, pointed out a few mistakes in the Spring issue of the news. The Chapter took notice of the large number of Silent Keys occurring.

The Annual NW Chapter meeting, June 10-11 is scheduled for the Alderbrook Inn, Union, Washington. Election of Officers will be part of the business.

-W7PN-

I want to take a moment to express my thanks to members of the Chapter who invited me to visit them, and for the hospitality extended by Beth Taylor, W7NJS, and Tex and Thelma Sloat, W7AHK. Visits in both of their homes were wonderful, and made a long and difficult business trip a great deal easier to bear. Thank you all!

-W5EJ-

ERRATA; Page 27, the N2XJ article...the call KPK was incorrect, it should have been XPK.

NEBRASKA CHAPTER OF QCWA

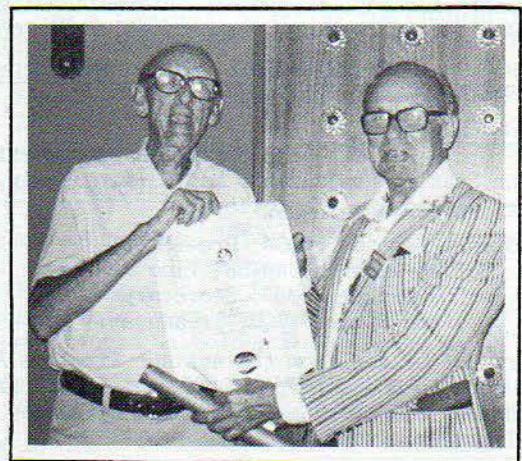
Arthur Gaeth, W0FQB, Scty of the Nebraska Chapter sent a report on activities. We've been guilty of leaving out the Nebraska activities, and Art let us know about it. Elsewhere in this issue I've given some of the reasons why this happens, not that it helps, but at least it becomes more understandable. The Chapter had discussed the matter of having 9 or 15 Directors for QCWA, and it is reported that the Chapter is behind the 15 Director alternative.

LONG ISLAND CHAPTER QCWA

As we approach publication of the Newsletter, the Long Island Chapter has completed a meeting held April 7. The program arranged consists of a presentation by Jay Buscemi, K2OVS and Dick Peacock, W2GFF, on AMSAT.

LIQCWA News is professionally produced and those who are fortunate enough to live in the area served should certainly join the Chapter.

-W5EJ-



In the picture above, on the left, Nat Burnett, K4OL is receiving his Golden certificate from Mark Devaney.... The presentation was made on January 24, 1976, at the Miami Hamboree...and the photographer was Nat Pfeffer..

-W2AIM-

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CINDY'S CHATTER

Great day in the morning! Summertime is here, vacations, conventions, Field Day, June bugs and mosquito bites!

One of the guys down Houstonway is really in trouble!! Seems he decided to cut down a tree..he did! along with it went the 75 meter antenna and the neighbors yard light. While all of this was going on the coffee pot was forgotten until the odor of burned coffee drifted out the window....no antenna, no coffee pot and a very mad neighbor! Mercy!

I checked into a traffic net a few days ago with one piece of traffic; thought I would pass it real quick & get back to my sewing, but fate was against me..I wound up NCS, finally closed the net and was just hamming, having the time of my life, when I suddenly smelled something! Check the transmitter, everything OK, on looking a little further I discovered the beans were burning, Mercy! While trying to camouflage the beans to make them edible, the parakeet got out of his cage.. A wild race followed! Through the house faster than the New Orleans Limited went the cat after the parakeet, knocking over my favorite lamp, two potted plants and the electric clock..as if that was not enough, it started raining. I made a mad dash to the clothes line to get the wash just in time to see the OM lowering the antenna! Burned beans, wet wash, no parakeet, dead cat and no antenna....such is the life of a YL operator.

Why do fuses wait to blow until your chance to be a hero or something as arrived? And then there is the test of brotherly love..You call a careful CQDX and a local answers! In as much as I have mentioned a few of the problems encountered by YL operators, I would like to take this opportunity to mention a few other things.... Behind most every YL operator there is an OM who encourages and shares this wonderful hobby. It is well for all of us to re-evaluate the privilege of holding an Amateur license. Since the beginning of Amateur Radio, women have earned and held a place of respect in the Amateur Fraternity...They have demonstrated outstanding ability in experimentation, in technical ability and in operating procedures. May each of us continue to set an example for those who follow as well as those who observe; a tolerance for our fellow amateur; to uphold the traditions of Amateur Radio; to serve the public when the opportunity arrives; to promote International goodwill, and cause our fellowman to respect all radio operators.

HAPPY OPERATING - Cindy, W5ZPD

COLORADO CHAPTER QCWA

The Spring Chapter meeting held at Union Station Restaurant, May 5, with newly elected Officers inaugurated as follows:

Stuart Edmonds, W0GW, President
Sol Abramowitz, W0WSK, Vice President
Lou Oldham, W0ZJ, Secretary
Don Spoor, W0QS, Treasurer.

A program of slides from the Antique Wireless Association Museum in Rochester, and an exhibit of early crystal and tube receivers was presented by Barney Wooters, a local member of AWA.

- W0ZJ -

METRO CHAPTER (NYC)

Greetings from the Big Apple...The May meeting was held at Luchow's in conjunction with the Radio Club of America. Nat Pfeffer, W2AIM, presided... 59 were in attendance. The meeting was honored by the attendance of many dignitaries: At the Head Table were Dudley Phelps, W2QU, Vice President; Jack Poppele, of WOR fame and President of DeForest Pioneers, VWOA, etc. Robert Rosencraz; Frank Gunther, W2ALS, past President of QCWA, Radio Club of America and so on; Sam Harmatuk, Vice President of Radio Club of America and George Diehl, Vice Director, Hudson Division of ARRL.

Mr. Poppele announced the annual VWOA dinner for May 20 as well as rededication of the Marconi monument in Battery Park scheduled for the same day.

George Diehl, W2IHA announced the coming ARRL Convention, November 10 - 11, at McAfee, N. Y.

Nat Pfeffer introduced the speaker for the meeting, Mr. Robert Rosencranz, President of UA-Columbia Cablevision who gave a most interesting talk on cable TV operation. The program was interesting and enjoyed by all. -W2AUF-

MUSKEGON CHAPTER

The Chapter held a May 4 meeting with 24 in attendance, at the Elks Club.

Chapter President, W8NWU conducted a short business and prize drawing session. A new procedure was introduced of collecting ten cents from members not wearing a QCWA pin. K8NJ was our guest, and a special tribute to him consisted of a recording of him singing and playing in the dance-band era nearly 20 years ago.

Several months ago the Chapter voted to meet the first Thursday of every other month. So far this has been a successful plan, turnouts have been good. If there are any QCWA members at large in the Western part of Michigan, looking for a home Chapter, please visit and make yourselves a part of our group.



In the picture, L-R are: Calvin Miller, W8VU, receiving his Golden Certificate from Chapter President, Joseph Czerniak, W8NWU.

W8BXS-

SE FLORIDA CHAPTER:

Walt Kinney, Chairman reports the Chapter will hold a meeting for the purpose of nominating Officers. The membership will be notified by telephone. Voting, by secret ballot, with a neutral teller to certify the election results. Ballots will be mailed to members in good standing, following nominations.

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NIAGARA FRONTIER CHAPTER

From Bill Hope, W2EWT, Scty. of the Chapter provides a fine report. The Chapter has grown, and wishes to welcome new members W2CWE, K2CZN, W2HSI, W2JWJ, W2KFX, W2OTY, W2RIB, W2RLR and W2UYG.

We are very proud to announce that Earl Westfall, W2JR, and Ray Nichols, W2RN of our Chapter have recently received the new QCWA CENTURY CLUB AWARD. Earl was honored at the April 30 weekly luncheon and it is planned to set aside a day for Ray in the near future.

Our Chapter will have a QCWA Booth at the Rochester Ham fest on May 20, and will feature a QCWA QSL display by W2SSJ, as well as old keys and sounders.

The Annual Spring Dinner Party will be at Esmond's Restaurant, Williamsville on June 4. After the dinner Ken Palmer, K2FJ will narrate and show collar slides taken during this year at his Gibraltar DX Expedition as ZB2G during the phone DX contest in February.



Above, at left, Ray Griswold, W2SD, President, Niagara Frontier Chapter presents the Golden Certificate to our friend, Elmer Odien, W2BHQ.

-W2EWT-

MIDDLE TENNESSEE CHAPTER QCWA

Bob Wessell, K4PR, & I. D. Byars, W4KKO, have been spark-plugging activities calculated to bring attention and honor to QCWA and to Amateur Radio in the Nashville area. As a result, work by Chapter members on behalf of the Public Television Service Station WDCN-TV, manning telephones contributed to the success of the financial drive by the Station.

Newspaper publicity was given the Chapter, and then the General Manager of the TV Station invited the Chapter to go on the air with their story.

We simply must comment on the aggressive and successful leadership of Chapter Officials (not often seen) which are providing enlightened information to the Public and thus emphasizing the Service aspect of Amateur Radio. We are not certain whether Bob's call (K4PR) came first or whether it was bestowed upon him, but there can be no question but that the 'PR' stands for Public Relations.

The Chapter is associated in joint meetings with the Tennessee Valley Chapter...other chapters do this sort of thing, and we are pleased to encourage such meetings among Chapters throughout the Country.

On-the-air meetings are on 146.31-91 each Monday evening at 8PM. Contact I.D. or Bob, get into the swing of things now!

PITTSBURGH CHAPTER QCWA

Carlton Williams, W3KPI, wrote of activities in the area. "Dear Ted: Thought I would report from the Pittsburgh Chapter. We have had a very active gang for the past five years and have been meeting on a Sunday noon for dinner with our wives three or four times a year. We met in April & elected Officers for the next year. I was elected Chairman again & Joe Soroka, W3LGD, was elected Secretary. This makes four years that we have carried the ball!"

We have a net that meets at 9:30AM each Sunday and have had a good number of check-ins (3910 +-5). At our last meeting we had 56 in attendance and the gang enjoyed it very much.

During 1977 the Chapter lost 5 members, W3ZDW, W3NSX, W3YD, W3KZW, and W3BSF. Membership in the Chapter has increased, however.

The Pittsburgh Chapter covers most of Western and South western Pennsylvania, with West Virginia and friends fm Southeastern Ohio attending our dinners and checking in our Sunday morning nets. We want to invite all of our QCWA friends to visit with us on the air and in person!

-W3KPI-

RAZORBACK CHAPTER QCWA

Pat Pattee, W5POH, Secretary reported on the Spring Meeting held April 29, with 35 members and guests present, in Russellville, Arkansas. Speaker of the day was Max Arnold, W4WHN, Delta Division Director for ARRL. Max spoke on the ARRL, and how each member can be more effective. A question & answer period followed the talk. The Fall Chapter meeting is tentatively scheduled for Fairfield Bay.

SAILFISH CHAPTER QCWA

Floyd Hermanson, W4NFI reports on the election of Officers. Those listed below have been inaugurated:

Tony Sariti, W4DIO, President

Bob Sidnell, W8KS/4, Vice President

Floyd Hermanson, W4NFI, Scty/Treas.

After a long period, the Chapter's meeting place had to be changed, and much time and effort have been required to find a new place for the luncheon sessions.. The principle problem stems from the Chapter members distribution, mainly between Martin and Palm Beach Counties. As a temporary solution the Chapter holds its meeting alternatively in Jensen Beach and then in North Palm Beach. Those interested in attending should contact Floyd, W4NFI for meeting place and times. Phone 305 582 7704.

- W4NFI-

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER

R. B. Wangler, W5EDZ, reported on the January 28 meeting. The Chapter business was taken up, with a reading of the treasurers report, a report on Howell Dickinson and a reading of minutes of previous meeting, which were approved. President Rives made the presentation of a Golden Certificate to Dan Delay.

The Nominating Committee reported on a slate of candidates. Those nominated were voted in, by acclamation..

-W5EDZ-

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER

The Southern California Chapter had its spring dinner meeting on April 8th at the Rochelle Center in Long Beach, with 118 in attendance.

Receiving their 50th Anniversary Certificates from Bob Holly were W6LDG, WB6AIQ and W6KTH.. We also have four members in the CENTURY CLUB, Don Wallace, W6AM; Forrest Barr, K6BV; George Lee, W6EZ and Moe Joffe, W6PHE.

In cooperation with the San Diego Chapter, we are looking into the possibility of having a Dinner-Dance for the members of the QCWA at the National Convention in San Diego. Due to the proximity of the Convention date to the time that the Chapter normally holds its Fall Dinner-Meeting, that meeting is cancelled....

-W6PHE-



In the picture, L-R are: Carl Lindquist, W6KTH Dr. Jack McMullin, WB6AIQ; Elwin Obrien, W6LDG and Bob Holly, W6DRV, who presented the Golden Certificates

SOUTHERN ONTARIO CHAPTER QCWA

VE3QE, Les Whetham Secretary of the Chapter, sent us the April 26 Chapter Newsletter. A really nice one with four pages of info.

The Chapter welcomes eight new members --

VE3TQ; VE3RO; VE3XQ; VE3AQG; VE3BFF; VE3BYO; VE3DHM and VE3FGJ

Les is having some postal problems, such as we have in the US...sometimes you get it, sometimes you don't. We can sympathize with the Canadian gang on that score....

Chapter membership will exceed 105 by the time this is in print...and that's no small potatoes!

UPPER MIDWEST CHAPTER

Fred Kline, Secretary of the Chapter has sent in reports of several recent meetings.

The January, 1978 meeting, held on the 26th at Toni's M&M Supper Club. It was a family night meeting with 51 members and wives present.

Letters from Headquarters were read. The Chapter's donation to AMSAT was the 2nd such by QCWA Chapters. Bob Hall, W0CRO was presented with his Golden Certificate..

A presentation by Dr. Felton Jenkins, K0ZZR, with regard to the Food & Drug Administrations over-reaction toward sweeteners, and how the amateur can plan an important part in helping to inform the public, was well received by all in attendance.

-W0LJT-

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Chapter activities and programs seem to get better all the time. George Mitchells presentation at the March meeting was magnificent. He has retired from Scripps Institute of Oceanography and is now Communications Officer on the SS EXXON San Francisco...

The Chapter extends a welcome to ex-Navy nurse - K6AYJ Edith Nichols. She is proud of her membership & we're proud to welcome her to the Chapter.

Here at Headquarters, as we read all of the Chapter's news, we are from time to time impressed by the work of those who have to produce a newsletter monthly. When it came time to write up something from San Diego, late in the evening, tired and wishing it would go away, the personal newsmess and humor in the May issue charged us up enough to continue for another two hours. May we congratulate San Diego and Si for his work!

-W5EJ-

SPACEPORT CHAPTER

The Spring meeting was held Feb. 25 at Duff's Restaurant in Titusville, with 31 members and guests attending. President Blencoe presided. Business was disposed of, and President Guy gave an account of a computer printout of QCWA members by Zip code as means of locating members in the area. Three new members to the Chapter were welcomed: Ron Richardson, K4GXR, and Bob Hayden, W4IOV were in attendance.

A number of subjects of interest were discussed by members. At the close of the meeting, Mr. Rick Summers, a representative of Energy Applications, Inc., of Titusville was introduced as guest speaker. He gave a very interesting talk on solar energy and its applications.. Literature obtained by Guy Blencoe was made available to the members interested in Solar power.

-K4JFP-

TREASURE COAST CHAPTER QCWA

Issac Roach, K4QM and Chairman of the Chapter reported on the Spring meeting of the Chapter, held at the Sheraton Regency, at Vero Beach. The luncheon, held in conjunction with Treasure Coast Hamfest, was attended by 61 members and friends.. The Chapter was honored to present Dr. Lee N. Hamm, MD, N9AI, with his Golden Certificate. Dr. Hamm was first licensed 9AZD in 1922 and has been active ever since... The event was made more auspicious by the presence of Dr. Larry Price, SE Director for the ARRL, who participated in the presentation.

Dr. Price gave a fine report on recent activities of the League, and the FCC.



At left, Dr. Larry Price, W4RA; Center, Issac Roach, K4QM; and at right, Dr. Lee N. Hamm, N9AI.

-K4QM-

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HARKING BACK

A letter from George J. Cook, K2AY -- "The article about A. H. Grebe brought back some happy memories....I knew Alfred in 1927, along with others mentioned, such as Bill Shick and Ed Fink. I will never forget the transmitter Ed had installed in a spare bedroom. I was 2HL at that time (1925) & a member of the Radio Club that met at Ed's house and enjoyed Chow Mein and refreshments after each meeting. Bill Reuman was a member & close friend. He induced me to get an operators license to help him operate WPCH in New York City. After a year of operating I opened up my own station WJBV, which later became WSOM.....I later sold the station (Sept. 1927) to the present owner, WEVD. This was a sad mistake on my part.

I still have a picture of my WSOM and it is a riot. It was not as pretentious as WAHG but never-the less very practical and served the purpose of broadcasting. I believe that I was one of the earliest disc jockeys, having used records and a player piano on the air. I was 25 at the time, now I am about to celebrate my 50th year of marriage in September.

--K2AY--

QCWA SILENT KEYS

W2GBN	Floyd Totten	W7CM	William R. Zinn
W2QF	George T. Nolan	K7DT	R. P. Mortell
W2QK	Frank D. Pizzuti	W7RY	J. A. De Partee
W2XX	Harold J. Mabes		
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W4GOC	W. T. McNallan		
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K4LL	Charles A. Roberts	W9SW	Ralph J. Knouf
W4JKX	Inez E. North		
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		WØFLK	John M. Gowen
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W5SBU	J. C. Porter		
		VE3EJK	Clifford F. Sawyer
W6ERK	George W. Mesher		
W6FK	Fred D. Rowe		
W6HWM	Wm. A. Letcher, Jr.		
W6OHT	Karl W. Kress		
K6QQI	E. W. Sears		

Errata: The call of Chester Drexler, K2EAF, was incorrectly shown in the Spring, 1978 list of Silent Key QCWA members.



Mark J. Devaney, K4IDC, the former QCWA Treasurer for approximately 10 years, receives the Distinguished Service Award from Dave Telley, W2PF, at the Everglades Chapter luncheon on April 1, 1978. Mark was cited for his high dedication and outstanding performance as the National Treasurer of QCWA, Inc. As As one Charter Member of QCWA has stated, "There just would not be a QCWA in existence today if it had not been for Mark Devaney!"

Above, L-R are: Mark J. Devaney, K4IDC, Past National Treasurer of QCWA; and David Talley, W2PF, also a past National Treasurer of QCWA; and, Joe Trahan, W4UCL, Chairman of the Everglades Chapter of QCWA.

DETROIT METRO CHAPTER QCWA

Kurt Schmeisser, W8LZV, President of the Chapter, sent a note on the Chapter activities during the past months. Election of Officers, 1978 saw the following inaugurated:

Kurt R. Schmeisser, W8LZV, Pres.
Dick McNutt, W8CAT, Secretary
Len Kerzka, W8IHX, NCS (CW)

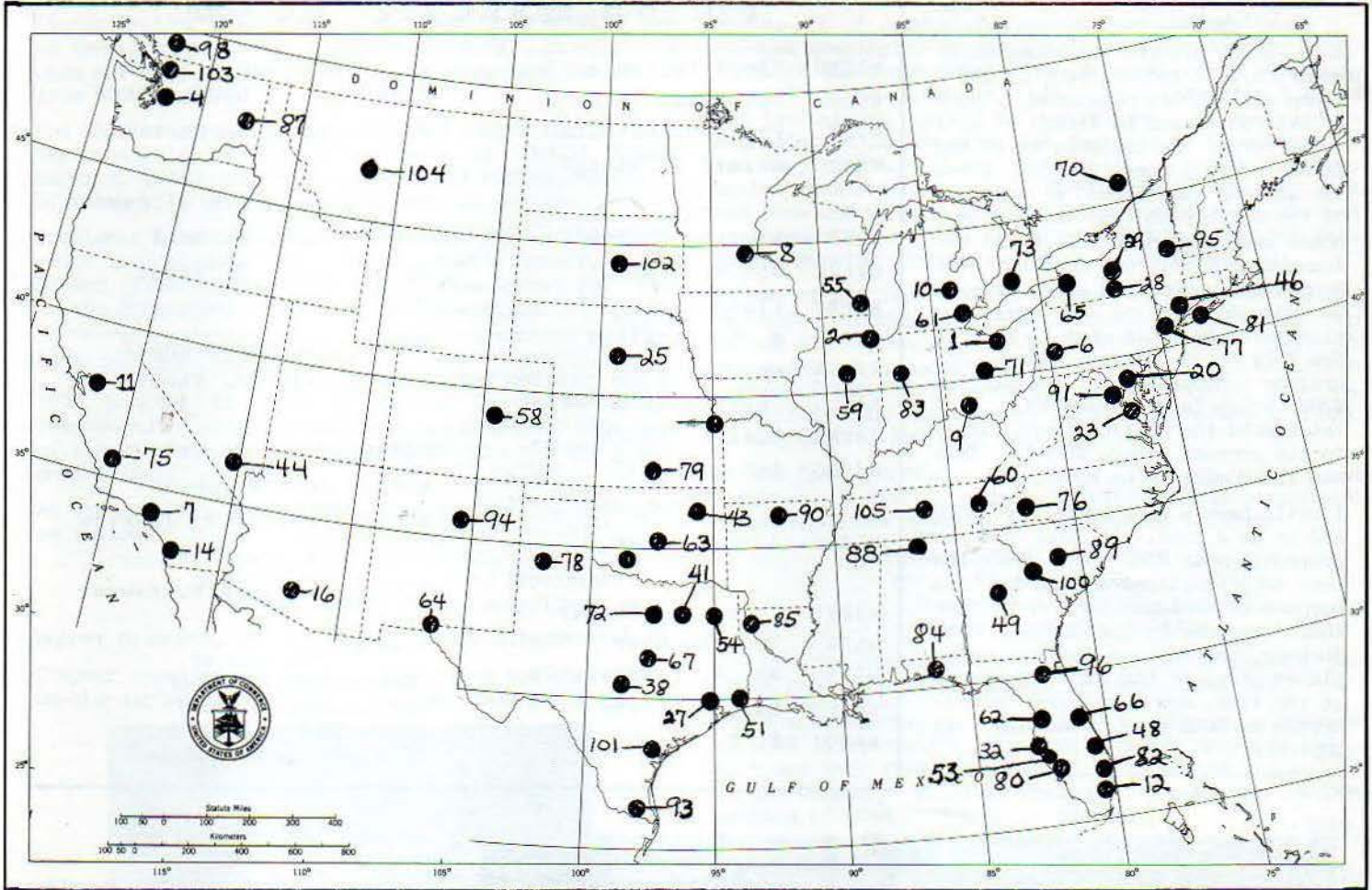
The March meeting featured Mr. Ed Wolrum, K8HJU, who gave a splendid talk on "The History and future of audio recording," including a discussion on Pulse Modulation.

The May meeting (May 17), features Dr. Lee O. Welter, M. D., who will speak on "Electronics in medical patient monitoring." Dr. Welter, who holds a M. S. degree in bioengineering, is also an anesthesiologist and will discuss potentials of micro-computers.

The next Chapter meeting will be in September, 1978.

Bill Edwards, K5CN, wrote about the personal stories being written for the Newsletter by QCWA members. We appreciate comments and help. Thank you Bill! Keep 'em coming.

Chapter Location Map



Some time ago, President Gartsman, in a letter to all Chapters, sent an outline map of the United States, with the request that each Chapter Secretary make an identifying spot showing the approximate location of the Chapter Office so that a composite map could be prepared for members use when travelling about the Country, and for such other uses as might be helpful to members and Officers alike. Not all Chapters responded. Those who did are represented on the map above, and in the tabulation which identifies the coding used on the Chapter Location Map. It was, at the time, necessary to use a Government map to avoid copyright infringement. Depending upon the need for such a map, we will, upon completion of returns from all Chapters, attempt to provide a map showing sufficient portions of Canada and Alaska to include them...The German Chapter and the Australian Chapter will, of necessity have to be left off of the map, and for this we apologize to them.

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Eric Shalkhauser, W9CI, who won the Trade-Mark game very handily, sends his condolences to those with poor memories, and looks forward to more events of similar nature. We'll be expecting him to place very high in the Word-Search puzzle in this copy of the NEWS...it's harder! Eric sent a pix of his home, snow pretty deep, but beautiful.

Elliot Weyer, W2LLZ, sent a copy of a page showing quite a bunch of our gang at a bit more youthful age. It was not suitable for reproduction.. but, we're working on getting the original for a future issue of the NEWS.

Charles Vincent, K6HK, writes so as to excite us with his reminiscences and I am hoping that he can be prevailed upon to provide a story and a few pix which will be very unique and rare. Watch for it!

Art Ericson, W1NF sent a fine picture of his first receiver, circa 1902. Commented on the necessity for paying 3 years dues at once... Art was first licensed in 1916, he was, however, on the air before... using a commercial license.

Ed Ma Dan, W7RJ, wrote to tell us that he had received his membership in the QCWA CENTURY CLUB

Roy T. Foody, W2EPN wrote, correcting and error in our listing of the call of Chet Drexler in the Silent Key listing for the Spring NEWS. A correction appears in this issue.

Eiland E. (Lan) Helms, W4WNY, wrote on the NEWS, and commented on the story by Dave Clingerman. All of those who contribute to QCWA NEWS do so to help, and receive no money for it, so thanks, Lan, for writing to Dave, he'll appreciate it.

With respect to Howard Truax, W7SO, who is working to establish a new Chapter in Oregon...from the way it looks here, he'll have a hundred or more members before he asks for a Charter.

Edwin Thais, W8PCS asked if there had ever been a 40-year Certificate and to our knowledge, the answer is no...but we'll see what the Board's reaction is to the suggestion, Ed.

John Issacs, W6PZV to comment about the WE-1B transmitter shown in the Spring News. Thanks John!

Robert Vanier, F3IJ, sent a letter indicating that he had not received his newsletter and he wondered what might be the problem...another was sent immediately, and it is hoped that all is well now. Bob tried to work in the QSO Party, without much success. He is active and will try to check on international net from time to time!

Alex Hellman, W2OEQ, sent comments on the proposed modifications and changes in the Constitution and his thoughts on QSL cards, and, in appreciation of the special features in the NEWS. Your comments help us and we sure thank you Alex.

George Clark, W2JBL, who has been CHOP on the National QCWA net for a long time, wrote that CW ops are having trouble with QRM, QRN, & all the other problems, but CW Ops are used to it, and keep plugging. He invites everyone to check in!

Harry Turner, W9YZE, has a good bit of info on old-time telegraphers & we're going to put together a story for an early issue of the News from his material.

WORD SEARCH GAME

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This is our second attempt to bring some sort of an interesting challenge in the form of a game, for those interested. The word search diagram below has hidden it 51 names of scientists, engineers, physicists, amateurs and so on. All have greatly contributed to electronics & amateur radio if only indirectly. Names may occur right to left, diagonally, vertically, and so on....some are contemporary, others from many years ago, but all are famous. Rather than providing specific clues, we'll make it difficult by listing only the first letter of the names. That is, there are three names beginning with A, and so forth, as listed below:

A - 3	F - 4	M - 6	S - 1
B - 1	G - 7	N - 2	T - 3
C - 3	H - 6	O - 2	V - 1
D - 2	K - 1	P - 1	W - 2
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In the event of ties, the earliest datemark will determine winners. -W5EJ

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER QCWA

The NNJ Chapter has been busy during this 1978, as sponsors of the 1978 QSO PARTY, members of the Committee and Chapter members called in for special duty were kept busy. The final result of their work is shown elsewhere in the scoring of the members logs. It was a wonderful Party, enjoyed by all, and QCWA as a whole appreciates the work done on behalf of all of us.

We have received notice of the May 20th meeting for the Chapter, but there will not be time to get a report in print at this time due to deadline Nat Schnoll, W2PN reports that he had a wonder trip into China, and is now back home. To George, W2GHV, Paul W2GH, and all the others, a thanks!

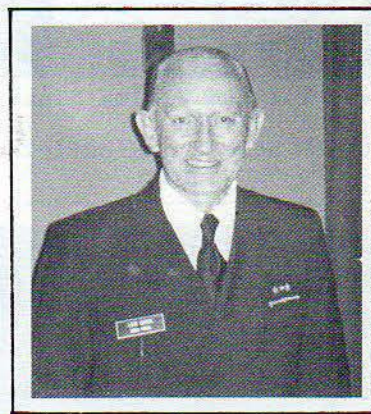
-W5EJ

DOGWOOD CHAPTER QCWA

Ernie Savage, Scty, sent us a notice of the Chapter activities for April and May... Nominations for Officers was called and it expected that May Chapter news will have the ballot, together with a general Annual Meeting program, and so on.

This year I was fortunate to get to see Dogwood, NW style. Boy, that's one thing where Texas is out-done.. The blossoms are hugh 2 to 3 inches across, and beautiful. Texas Dogwood has small blossoms, like fruit trees...no comparison, except they are all beautiful.

-W5EJ-



Introducing Lew Sieck, K4NE, Chairman of the Florida Council of QCWA Chapters. Lew performs yeoman duty recording Statewide activities published in Florida Skip, and in many other ways helps Amateur Radio. Our Hat Is Tipped to K4NE.

QSO PARTY RESULTS

We have received a few letters in which the writers wanted to know the reason QSO PARTY results were not published in the Spring issue of the Newsletter. It was simply a matter of timing. The newsletter went to the printer some time before the Northern New Jersey Chapter Committee had received and tallied all of the logs. It is our normal practice to print scoring & results in the Summer issue. They appear elsewhere in this issue.

Earl C. Baker, K6MG, wrote a fine letter. Earl is serving aboard the tankership 'OVERSEAS ULLA.' He says at the time of writing, that he was loading 300,000 barrels of gasoline destined from Texas to California..

While aboard ship, Earl operates on 40 through 10, maritime mobile with an Atlas 350-XL into a trapped vertical antenna...watch for him. He passes his regards to QCWA members.

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NORTHWEST CHAPTER ALBUM



Above, Tex and Thelma Sloat
W7AHK
in their home at Richfield
Washington



Beth Taylor, W7NJS
At Her Operating Position
during a visit by
Ted, W5EJ, April, 1978

W. W. Kline, W9GWD (8859L), sent in his solution to the "brain tickler" printed in the Spring issue, on P22 by Ted Koranye, W2SFW. We're send-it to Ted for confirmation. Also, Bill sent in a fine story, and his own "brain tickler" both of will be used in a future issue of the NEWS. Thank you, Bill for the fine letter and story.

George McGee, W6HRS, has provided a special type of word-search puzzel, we expect to use it in an early issue of the NEWS. George also has a good 1976 callbook he will be glad to give to anyone needing it who'll pay the postage charges. Write him direct.

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THE QCWA NATIONAL MEETING will be held in San Diego in 1978. This year the meeting will be a prelude to the ARRL National but not as a part of that Convention. This permits QCWA members to attend and take part in all activities. It was planned that way. You will note IMMEDIATELY ABOVE a form for the purpose of registering for the QCWA Luncheon. Note that this form has nothing to do with registration to the ARRL Convention activities. You must, if you wish to take part in QCWA luncheon meeting, reserve space for that purpose, using the form above.

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QCWA MEMBERSHIP

Applicants for QCWA membership must have held an amateur license at least 25 years ago, and must at the time of applying, hold a valid Amateur license. It is not necessary to have been licensed the entire 25 years. Proof of eligibility must be given. Headquarters has a library of callbooks from the old times that can be used in most cases. A request for information will bring a prompt return letter!

An entry fee of \$3 is charged for initial membership, this plus dues in the amount of \$14 for three years are payable in advance with ones application. Life membership may be obtained for \$70, plus the \$3 entry fee. Time payment of life membership fees is available; three payments to be completed in one year, of \$35, 20 and 15 respectively. Upon completion of the payment of the fee, Life Membership Certificate and membership card is sent.

CERTIFICATES

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES, numbered in serial order, are issued to each member. The numbers are never re-issued, except to the same one to whom they were first issued, and then only in the event of lapsed membership. Blue certificates and membership cards going to regular members with Gold certificates and membership cards being issued to Life Members. In the event a certificate is to be replaced, a charge of \$1.00 is made.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY certificates are issued upon application, and proof of eligibility. Those having 50 or more years in Amateur Radio are qualified. Endorsement stickers for each 2-year interval over the basic fifty years are available from Chapter Secretaries.

QCWA CENTURY CLUB CERTIFICATE, is a new Award voted by the Board of Directors in February, 1978. Eligibility is based upon a members age plus his years in QCWA (in good standing) being equal to 100 or more. Proof of eligibility must be established by the applicant. Age

by copy of drivers license, etc., with Headquarters to attest to years in good standing.

50 YEARS CONTINUOUSLY LICENSED CERTIFICATION is issued to QCWA members whose calls appear in call books since 1928. There is a charge of \$1 for the Certificate. It must be applied for with proof of eligibility supplied.

60th ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATION is issued to those QCWA members who have completed 60 years as a licensed Radio Amateur. Proof of such licensing is required. Endorsements may be obtained at 2-year intervals. 1912 is the first year considered as Amateur licensing.

ALL OF THE ABOVE LISTED CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED BY THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICE. APPLICATION BLANKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE ASKING, AND A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

OPERATING AWARD CERTIFICATES

QCWA OPERATING AWARD CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED TO QCWA MEMBERS BY THE OPERATING ACTIVITIES MANAGER, M. W. McRae, W9RC. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY IS REQUIRED.

QCWA WORKED 50 STATES CERTIFICATES are issued to QCWA members who have contacted members in each of the states. Applications must be accompanied by proof.

QCWA WORKED 100 MEMBER CERTIFICATES are issued by the Operating Activities Manager upon proof of eligibility.

QCWA WORKED 60 CHAPTER CERTIFICATES are issued by the Operating Activities Manager upon proof of eligibility.

QCWA WORKED 500 MEMBER CERTIFICATES are issued by the Operating Activities Manager upon proof of eligibility.

QCWA ANNUAL QSO PARTY. A plaque is issued on behalf of QCWA to the high-scorer in the PARTY. The plaque is inscribed with the name, score and year of winning.

All certificates are numbered serially, with a permanent record kept of those who were honored by the Awards.

Edmund H. Bremer, W8DG, a real old timer wrote of his first call...he is listed as 8DG in the 1913 call-book.

Sam Sherman, W2BAM sent us a clipping from the New York Telegram... the date was July 14, 1928. This is material prepared by Uda Ross, who was radio editor, and we are going to present it in a future issue!

Red Abbott, W6FAA, sent a letter in which he requests some material due him...will get at it Red.

Alf Ackerman, VE7LC, wrote a letter to headquarters, and, as we see the envelope and attempt to visualize a temperature in British Columbia...it must be so nice compared to our 96. Thanks for writing Alf.

Joe F. Keese, AC8VSK, sent a line reminding us that a promised certificate had not materialized. This is being worked on now Joe, and it is expected that all will be well.

Weldon Lambert, W2NSZ, enjoyed the GREBE story, but remarks he didn't have the cash for a Grebe set...had to build his own, and still does... Weldon is ex-9csc. Thanks for the letter and comments.

Ralph Hasslinger, W2CVF (23), wrote a short note in approval of the new NEWS. Thanks Ralph, kind words always are appreciated.

Ann Belmonte, W0ERR, sent a note to let us know she and Rudy are leaving Denver. They'll be missed but Oklahoma will gain.

Jerry Downey, W5TD, has a complete set of QSTs and we can look forward to lifting some interesting stories from them in future issues.

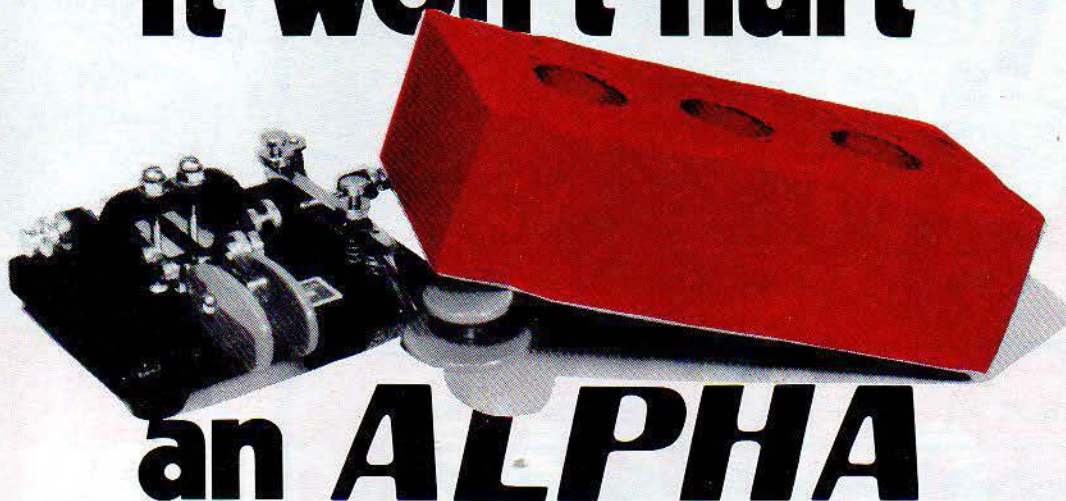
El Charlton, W5MD wrote about QCWA activity in Baton Rouge, suggesting that while amateur activity was big that more QCWA members seemed to be the problem. He's working on it!

Joe Pavak, W0FWI, sent a short note expressing approval of the new NEWS and we sure were glad to hear from him...good or bad, let us know.

Ken Hiler, W4SQ, has written a fine comment on the GREBE story. As all of you know, the story would have been impossible without Ken. There have been many expressions of satisfaction over the story. Here we were thrilled and amazed to see the beautiful pictures which had been preserved by Ken for a half Century and gave thanks that he was willing to share them with all of us!

Earl Patterson, W2BWU, has written to offer a few issues of his priceless collection of the very early issues of "Modern Electrics" for us to use in future NEWS stories. We appreciate his offer, and promise to share them with all QCWA members in stories coming up.

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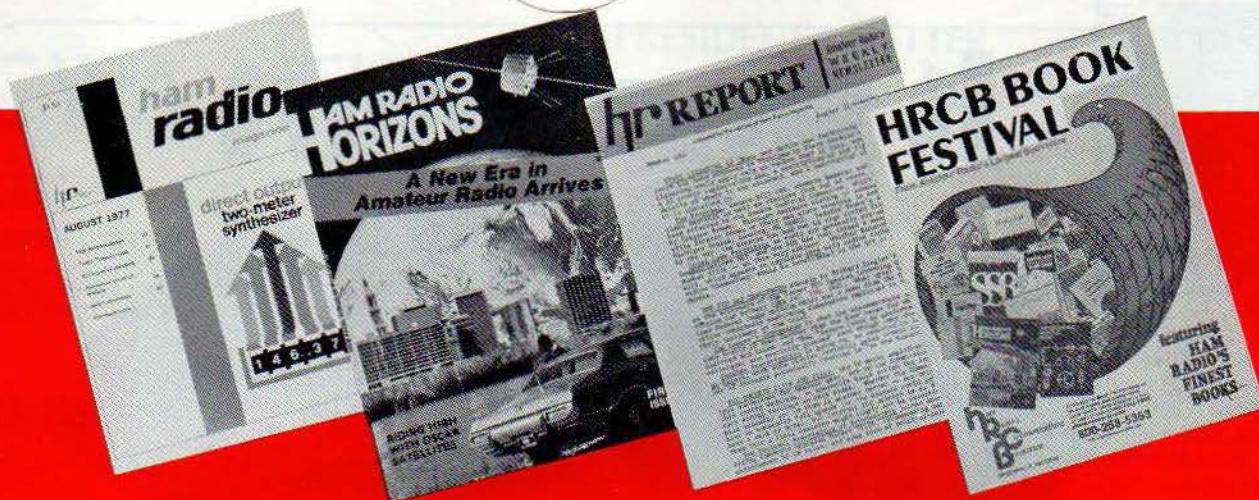
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